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Title**:** Need to provide relief package to the farmers whose crops have been damaged due to heavy rains in Kerala.

SHRIMATI C.S. SUJATHA (MAVELIKARA): The heavy rain lashed in Kerala recently was unprecedented in the summer season causing large scale destruction of paddy and other crops in the State, The calculated ioss of this unexpected calamity was above Rs. 1091.95 crores. The loss *due* to the damage of *paddy* alone is Rs. 161 crores with Kuttanad in Alappuzha District which is considered as the rice bowl of Kerala, suffering a loss of Rs. 62 crores. Besides paddy, al! other crops including cash crops suffered heavily due to untimely rains. The total loss of working days of agricultural labourers is 14,05,285. Kerala has been experiencing recurring natural calamities for few years now. The State has requested the Centre to provide relief package for the suffering farmers in the State.

I urge upon the Government, to sanction and release adequate funds.